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## Local Matters.

### EASTON'S BEACH.

The Proposed Improvement to the Same—\$3000 Already Appropriated for Regulating the Work.

Easton's Beach is an unpleasantly surrounded place. It has long been an eye-sore to the citizens of Newport and the thousands of strangers who seek their cooling breezes during the heated term, and the question of extended improvement to it is one of general, almost national interest. That this spot which should be one of the leading attractions of the foremost watering place in the world, has been neglected is more than true, for it has been abused. For years the ground just north of the beach was used as the burial place of all the dead horses in the city, and as a general depository for all the rubbish which people living in the vicinity might wish to rid their premises of. Of course a stop has been put to this unchristian work, but not until the natural beauty of the place had been greatly impaired.

A year or two ago the City Council appointed a Special Committee on Beach Improvements and instructed them to inquire into the needs of this hitherto neglected resort and report to that honorable body at some future meeting. Since that time the committee have been in correspondence with various parties upon the subject, and in some instances estimates for the necessary improvements have been obtained, but the figures have generally been too large even to be considered.

At the April meeting of the City Council, the committee presented their report recommending the adoption of certain plans, drawn by Mr. Clarence B. Luce, which accompanied the report, and the appropriation of \$3000 for beginning the work.

The Council, however, were powerless to appropriate money for this purpose without a special act of the legislature, and the matter was referred to a special meeting when the public would be invited to inspect the plans and offer suggestions upon the same. The public meeting was held, it will be remembered, but the question of city sewerage, which had been referred to the same meeting, occupied so much time that the citizens received little or no enlightenment upon what was proposed for Easton's Beach, and the action of the City Council, Tuesday evening, in appropriating \$3000 for these improvements has caused a general inquiry: "What is to be done? What is proposed?"

The plans, as submitted by Mr. Luce, call for quite extensive alterations and improvements, and consequently quite an expenditure of money, but they are so arranged, it is claimed, that the work need not necessarily be performed all at one time or by one appropriation, but that they are drawn with a view of giving a systematic basis upon which to perform the improvements made necessary from time to time, each improvement to be made with an idea of the whole.

Mr. Luce suggests, as the first movement in the proposed changes, the removal of all the buildings at present upon the premises, and the erection of a single building which shall provide all the necessary conveniences under one roof. This building, according to the plans, has an entrance hall with an open gallery around the same. On one side of the hall is a cafe, and on the other the usual offices for bath tickets and bathing dresses. A covered promenade extends, by means of wings, along the water side of the building. Under this promenade are the bath houses, which are reached by two ample staircases on either side of the entrance hall. There are also two staircases leading to the open balcony above. Toilet rooms and a kitchen are also provided. The advantages of placing the bath houses under the promenade are apparent as they are reached with less inconvenience and are not as unsightly as detached buildings.

The beach road, from the foot of the hill to the Middleton line, is to be widened to the edge of the pond on the north, with a well-sloped plot in the middle, which is believed, ceramists and many other plants of brilliant colors could be made to grow, which would give color to the landscape and be a relief to the glare of so much sand and water. It is suggested also that the road be raised to give more height to the building and prevent the possibility of water washing across the same at unusual tides. The continuance of the iron fence on the sea wall and the removal of the benches on the side-walks are recommended.

The plans also advise the laying out of a drive around the lower pond, which it is claimed could be done to advantage without the expense of a wall by paving along the margin of the pond a distance of five or six feet from the water's edge and adding a small strip between it and the road. Parties owning the abutting lands, it is thought, would contribute liberally toward this improvement, making it little or no expense to the city. The erection of a boat-house on this pond, directly opposite the pavilion, is also recommended, as it is believed it could be rented at a profit to parties who would stock the pond with pleasure boats.

The semi-annual meeting of the New England school superintendents will be held in Boston on May 23d.

### Business Changes.

The following business changes are being arranged for the near future:

Mr. Thomas M. Norman, boots and shoes, has leased the south store in Andrew Bryer's new block, where he expects to be ready for business early in July.

The Centennial Tea Company, Ira E. Wilson, proprietor, which has leased the north store in H. E. Head's new block, expects to be demolished in its new quarters next week.

The store vacated by this company has been leased to Fall River parties for a cheap clothing store.

The store in Mr. John M. Poppie's building on Broadway has been leased by Messrs. Fogarty & Peckham, for a meat market.

Messrs. King & McLeod (Market Store) have taken a lease of the Robert Lawton building on Thames street, and will probably take possession next autumn. Extensive alterations, we understand, are to be made to the building in the meantime, by making the entire lower floor into one store which will be enlarged by a liberal addition on the rear.

### Zion Church Anniversary.

The members of Zion church are making extensive preparations for observing their semi-centennial anniversary which occurs on Friday, June 13th. We mentioned the fact two weeks ago and gave the programme as far as it was laid out at that time. It is expected in addition to all the living records of the church, that Bishop Clark of Rhode Island, and the bishops of Connecticut and Massachusetts will be present as well as many distinguished divines from other places. Collections will be served both morning and evening. The choir are practicing to render some fine music on that occasion. They propose, if possible, to render the same music as was rendered fifty years ago, when the church was consecrated. Rev. Mr. Baker is to be retained at the morning service in which exercise several distinguished clergymen will take part.

### New Telegraph Companies.

The Baltimore and Ohio Telegraph Company is rapidly approaching the city with its poles and wires, as is also the Bankers & Merchants Company. The former company has leased the office formerly occupied by the Mutual Union Company in the office of the New York and Boston Dispatch Express Company in the Gas Light Block, for a main office for three years and appointed Mr. George W. Flagg, late manager of the Western Union and Mutual Union Companies, manager. The company has also leased a corner in the office of the Newport Transfer Company in Travers' Block, for a branch office. They expect to be ready for business on the first of June. The Bankers & Merchants will occupy an office in the Daily News Block.

### The Abundance of Soup.

This is the best season for soup which has been known in this vicinity for many years. They are not only found in immense quantities but are of unusual size and extra fine quality. From April 22d, ultimo, to May 7, instant, inclusive, 4728 barrels and boxes of these excellent fish have been shipped from here to New York and Philadelphia markets and Church Bros., have forwarded from their establishment in Tiverton five schooner loads. They are found in such liberal quantities that the markets are nearly flooded and the prices have in consequence dropped from \$30 per barrel for the first lot to \$14 40 per barrel.

### A Hundred Thousand Dollar Yarn.

James Lynch, who has been credited with having fallen heir to \$20,000 through the death of a relative in Ireland, and who, it was said, left for the "old country" last Saturday, is still in Newport and may be seen most any day in the garb of his profession—a laborer. He is about 35 years of age and is ignorant as the average immigrants of his class. He says he has inherited some property but no such amount as has been credited him. He evidently does not consider it worth going for, as he says he would not know what to do with it if he had it.

### An Unknown Donor.

Last Saturday morning Mr. John H. Cozzens received an anonymous letter postmarked New York, which contained fifty dollars for the fund of the Trinity church Sunday School, "from a friend of the school." The generous donor requested that its receipt be acknowledged in the Newport Mercury. Mr. Cozzens wishes us to express to the unknown giver the thanks of the school for his generous donation, and inform him that his money has been applied as requested. Mr. — will therefore consider himself duly thanked.

### Bank Stock at Auction.

Thomas W. Freeborn, auctioneer, disposed of the following shares of bank stock at public auction Wednesday: Three shares of First National, at \$180 par value \$540. Wm. S. Cranston, purchaser; one share Newport National at \$94 50, par value \$90. Wm. E. Dangle, four shares New England Commercial, at \$46, par \$46, Philip Rider.

The new management of the poor will soon be in working order. The leased property, with the temporary home thereon, is nearly ready for occupancy. The keeper and matron, Wm. S. Bacheller and wife, have been chosen, salary \$800 per annum. A board of management, to take the place of the asylum commissioners, has been chosen and during this month the poor will bid adieu to their home on Coasters' Harbor Island and seek the region of Broadway. Aldermen Langley, Hopkins, Connelton Hamilton, Greene and O'Neill will constitute the asylum board hereafter until the close of the municipal year.

The Mercury last week, in enumerating the teams which appeared in the trades-procession, inadvertently omitted the name of Mr. C. F. Franch. It was noticeably a mistake, however, as that enterprising gentleman's equipage was one of the most conspicuous in the line.

There is a great need of a first class restaurant in this place. Any man who will start such a concern and make his prices as reasonable as they are in other cities, will have plenty of business. There is not a first class restaurant in the city.

### Supreme Court.

March Term—Adjourned Session.

An adjourned session of the March term of the supreme court opened here Monday morning, Chief Justice Duffee presiding.

The cases of Thomas Stanley vs. Almon P. Smith and J. W. Johnson vs. Michael F. Shes, were discontinued, and of Hawk & Wetherbee vs. Herman W. Bruen was continued.

In the case of Elizabeth S. Johnson vs. Elizabeth M. Sherman et al., defendants were given leave to file affidavits.

In the case of Mary S. Flagg vs. Cliff Cottage Association, judgment rendered on verdict.

The first jury trial was the case of Hilder N. Wilcox, guardian, vs. George Sayer, Tiverton parties. This is a suit brought by the plaintiff, as administrator on the estate of Mary A. Wilcox, late of Tiverton, deceased, to recover a certain back book, bearing evidence of a deposit of \$1000 in the People's Savings Bank of Providence, which belonged to said deceased, and which, it is alleged, is unlawfully withheld by the defendant who came into possession of it by finding. The defendant claims that the deceased, a short time before her death, gave him the book in trust for Emma Mosher, a cousin of the deceased, and that he holds the book with a view of performing the conditions under which it was given. After being out six hours the jury failed to agree and the case was continued.

The second case to be tried by jury was that of the town of New Shoreham vs. Nicholas Ball, et al. This is an action of trespass and ejectment, brought by the plaintiff, to decide the ownership of certain lands in New Shoreham at present occupied by the defendants. The case was given to the jury Thursday afternoon who rendered a verdict for the plaintiff.

Charles Hudson, held for the grand jury at the court of common pleas for an assault on Henry L. Knowe, was admitted to bail in the sum of \$300, with Hiram Murray as surety.

Thomas Shes was admitted to citizenship. In the case of Mary A. Murray vs. J. N. A. Griswold, S. R. Hony, counsel for defendant, filed his motion for a new trial.

The divorce petition of Alden P. Bryant vs. Mary E. Bryant was granted.

The divorce petition of William Wynn vs. Antonette Wynn was granted.

Murray & Allen vs. Michael Kelley for an order to sell personal property, granted.

The case of the Newport Water Works vs. Nancy Hazard is on trial as a quo warranto.

### Those Plate-Glass Windows.

The plate glass show windows for A. O. Titus & Co.'s emporium arrived from England and were landed at Commercial Wharf in this city last Sunday morning. The unfortunate catastrophe which befell the other lifts several weeks ago was fresh in the minds of the citizens, and hundreds gathered on the wharf Monday morning to witness the loading and unloading of this precious burden.

The Newport Transfer Company had taken the contract to do the carting and under the personal supervision of Mr. C. B. Mason the huge box was carefully and systematically placed upon its edge on a drey. Four men with poles were stationed, two on each side of the drey to steady the box, and one man at the horse's head, and when all was ready the team started. Followed by an immense throng, it passed up the wharf and through Thames street to the Gardner Building, where it was successfully deposited just inside the entrance.

On Tuesday, under the supervision of Mr. C. E. White, the immense lights, 10x14 feet, were successfully transferred from the box to the south and the whole placed in position in the windows. The work of settling the plans was exceedingly difficult and the successful accomplishment reflects much credit upon those having it in charge. It was all nicely done, and the Messrs. Titus now have the satisfaction of knowing that their show windows are unsurpassed in New England.

### Recent Arrivals for the Season.

Mrs. John W. Riegelow of New York; "Haystack," Washington street.

Mrs. James M. Drake and family of New York; "Red-Cross," Red Cross avenue.

Henry B. Fearing and family, New York; Auandale Road.

Capt. Geo. H. Perkins, U. S. N., and family; Fort Cottage, Harrison avenue.

Geo. Peabody Wetmore and family, New York; Bellevue avenue.

Prof. J. T. Huntington and family, Hartford, Conn.; Indian avenue.

John R. Caswell and family, New York; Bull street.

Philip B. Taggart, New York; Broadway.

Isaac Bull, Jr., and family, New York; Bellevue avenue.

George W. Tenny and family, New York; Narragansett avenue and Clay street.

Miss C. L. Wolfe, New York; Ochre Point.

Mrs. Sarah A. Kendall, New York; Washington street.

LeRoy King and family, New York; Bellevue avenue.

### Yachting Notes.

The steam yacht Naia, of New York, which has been in winter quarters at the City Wharf, is being put in order for the summer campaign. Her captain and engineer arrived here on Monday, and commenced operations at once.

Mr. F. P. Sand's sloop yacht Peri, lying at the same wharf, is also being made ready for service.

Mr. O. H. Cole's sloop yacht Wizard is undergoing improvements, mahogany work taking the place of pine in her cockpit pit, &c. An entire new suit of sails has been ordered for her to be made in New York.

Mr. A. Carey Smith, the celebrated designer and builder of yachts in New York, has just sent to a gentleman residing in this city the plans and model of a schooner yacht, 101 feet over all, 37 feet on water-line, 19 feet and 8 inches beam and 12 feet draught of water. She is to be in most respects similar to Mr. Hovey's yacht Fortuna of Boston.

The Society of the Potomac has invited ex-Governor Van Zandt to be present at its reunion in Brooklyn on the 11th and 12th of June.

### City Council.

A Long Session—Large Concurrent Business—A New Keeper for the New Asylum for the Poor—\$3000 Appropriated for Beach Improvements and \$1800 for the Re-union of the Sons and Daughters of Newport, on June 4.

The regular meeting of the City Council for May occurred Tuesday evening, with all the members present, his Honor Mayor Franklin presiding over the Board of Aldermen and President Nathan Barker over the Common Council. The monthly report of the Finance Committee was read and received, and on its recommendation the following bills were ordered paid from the several appropriations:

Newport Asylum,	\$236 25
Paupers and Vagrants,	628 74
Fire Department,	1,240 30
Streets and Highways,	6,730 48
Sewers,	4,425 87
Public Schools,	4,122 60
Watch and Police,	1,750 00
Lighting streets,	1,130 00
Removal Sewal and House Offal,	354 16
Salaries,	1,300 82
Books, Stationary and Printing,	163 12
Ward Meetings,	110 63
Burial Grounds,	55 72
Central Baptist Church Fund,	12 00
Touro Jewish Synagogue Fund,	200 00
Judah Touro Memorial Fund,	200 00
Freemasonry Fund,	145 00
Touro Street Fund,	149 00
Incidentals,	2,147 05
	\$29,767 24

The following communication from His Honor the Mayor was read and received:

CITY OF NEWPORT, R. I.  
Executive Department, May 6, 1884.  
Gentlemen of the City Council:

I have a duty to perform in announcing to you officially the death of Officer Eugene Barker of the police force of this City. While in the performance of his duty in attempting to arrest William H. Shes for a murderous assault on James Alderson, on Tuesday, April 22d, he was shot by Shes and died from the effects of the wound.

His funeral services were held at the Central Baptist Church on Clarke street, on Friday, April 25th. The large audience room was densely packed with sympathizing friends, among whom were the entire City Council and members of the police department, showing by their presence their appreciation of his services as an officer, and their respect for his character.

Officer Barker was first elected a member of the police force November 1, 1871, and performed continuous service thereon (with the exception of about two years) until his decease. Although quiet and retiring in his disposition, he was always ready at the call of duty, and bravely met his death in the performance, and his modest reply to the canon given him before attempting the arrest of the murderer, "I must do my duty," was characteristic of the man.

A communication from City Marshal O'Connell, recommending that the Mayor be authorized to appoint additional temporary members of the police force for the summer season, was read and received. This question created considerable argument in the Board of Aldermen. Mr. Langley thought twenty-six officers, if they did their duty, sufficient to protect the city. Mr. Waters thought that three men could not do the duty of the police force after twelve o'clock midnight.

He thought the manner of relieving the officers entirely wrong, and was in favor of roundmen. Mr. Kaull could not understand why the night force should not be made to do duty all night as well as the day force all day. A resolution, authorizing the Mayor to appoint not more than ten extra police constables to do regular duty during the summer, was then passed in the Board of Aldermen by the following aye and nay vote: Yea—Waters, Cottrell and Hopkins; No—Kaull and Langley. The Common Council concurred.

On recommendation of the Finance Committee a resolution was offered to pay Chas. D. Haumett \$130.50, for eight months and twenty-one days' extra work while clerk of the Highway Department. This elicited some argument in the Board of Aldermen and an aye and nay vote was called for. It stood as follows: Yea—Kaull and Langley; No—Waters, Cottrell and Hopkins; and it was lost.

On recommendation of the Committee on Streets and Highways, resolutions were adopted directing the Street Commissioner to do the following work under the supervision of the Highway Committee: Macadamize Mann avenue at an estimated cost of \$2000; sewer the north end of Gould street, \$375; sewer Day View avenue, \$700; sewer Spruce street, \$200; sewer Gladding and Sunnyside court, \$350; sewer and repair Houston avenue, \$200; sewer and foot walk in Burnside avenue, \$3000, and to erect a wind mill with pumps, etc., at Collins' Beach, at a cost not to exceed \$200. The purchases of live one-horse sprinkling carts at an estimated cost of \$525, was also ordered.

A legal grant of right-of-way for city sewers through the Old Colony Company's lands was read and accepted.

On recommendation of the Fire Department Committee a resolution authorizing the Board of Fire Wards to purchase for fire engine No. 2, a new set of wheels, at a cost not to exceed \$170, and a new pump, at a cost not to exceed \$125, was passed.

The following resolution introduced in the Board of Aldermen by Mr. Waters, who moved its passage, called forth considerable argument in that body:

Resolved, That the City Solicitor be and he hereby is directed to withdraw the law suits on liquor dealers' bonds of Bernard McGowan, John Gash and Samuel Politt, pending before the Supreme Court for this county now in session, upon payment of costs by the defendants.

Mr. Langley said that he would second the motion for its passage, as he understood that three of the witnesses employed in these cases have since been convicted of crime and are now serving out sentences in prison. He did not think men should be punished on the evidence of such men, and as the Attorney General has already not pro's'd two suits maintained by such witnesses, he thought these cases should be withdrawn. Mr. Cottrell thought that the weighing of evidence in these cases belonged to the courts and not to the Board of Aldermen. The opinion of City Solicitor Peckham was sought. He stated that he knew of nothing against the witnesses in any of the cases mentioned in the resolution except those of John Gash. He did not feel as confident of these as the other cases; in fact, under the circumstances,

he did not think he would be able to obtain a verdict on Gash's bonds. Mr. Kaull will thought the case should go to court. The Mayor's opinion was asked; he did not wish any of the cases withdrawn.

The resolution was finally amended by erasing the names of Bernard McGowan and Samuel Politt, but it was defeated by the following aye and nay vote: Yea—Waters, Langley, No—Kaull, Cottrell, Hopkins.

The following resolution relative to the proposed re-union of sons and daughters of Newport the coming summer, was read and passed:

Resolved, That a joint special committee, consisting of Aldermen Waters and Kaull and Common Councilmen Stanhope, Wilbur and Greene, be and hereby is appointed to make and carry out the arrangements for a re-union of the sons and daughters of Newport on July 4, next, and that the sum of eighteen hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the proposed celebration.

A resolution was passed authorizing and requesting His Honor the Mayor to notify the Asylum Commissioners of the election of the committee of the new asylum and to instruct them to deliver over to said committee the inmates, furniture, etc., now on Coasters' Harbor Island, when called for.

Aldermen Cottrell offered a resolution placing the salary of keeper of the new asylum at \$800 per annum, and moved its passage. Alderman Langley moved an amendment by inserting "\$900" in place of "\$800," and, after considerable argument, the resolution passed the Board of Aldermen as amended. In the Common Council, however, after a short argument, the resolution was amended by placing "\$800" back again in place of "\$900." When the resolution as amended came back to the Board of Aldermen, Mr. Cottrell moved that the Board of Aldermen meet on a committee of conference. This motion was carried and Mr. Langley was appointed the committee from the Board of Aldermen, but before the conference was held Mr. Cottrell made a motion to rescind from the latter vote, which was also carried. It was then voted, on motion of Mr. Cottrell, to concur with the Common Council, and the resolution passed.

A resolution was passed authorizing the City Marshal, under the supervision of the committee on City Property, to supply the police force with a sufficient number of revolvers, at a cost not to exceed \$200. The weapons are to be carried by the officers while on duty; at other times they are to be kept at the police station in a suitable place to be provided for the purpose.

A resolution was passed authorizing the committee on City Property to purchase in connection with the Webb lot for an engine house and ward room in the second ward, a strip of land adjoining said lot.

On recommendation of the committee on City Property, a resolution was passed authorizing repairs to the roof of the Police Station at a cost not to exceed \$150.

A resolution was passed authorizing the letting of those portions of Easton's Beach now occupied by Thomas Crosby and the heirs of the late Robert W. Goffe, to the same parties until November 1, 1884, at \$150 and \$75 respectively.

A resolution to allow John Mallory, who was seriously injured some time ago at Coasters' Harbor Island while in the employ of the city, \$50, passed the Common Council, but the Board of Aldermen believing that such an appropriation would be illegal, non-concurred and the resolution was lost.

A resolution to provide a suitable playground for games and sports for the use of boys and youths at an expense not to exceed \$200, passed the Common Council. In the Board of Aldermen it was amended by substituting "\$100" for "\$200" and the Common Council concurred as amended.

The Street and Highway committee was instructed to water Bull street, the abutments having contributed their share of \$30, and the city clerk was authorized to have certain volumes of the Land Evidence repaired and rebound.

A communication from the Father Mathew Total Abstinence Society, inviting the City Council to attend their anniversary celebration on Wednesday, May 21, was read and received and the invitation accepted.

The report of Street Commissioner H. A. Bentley, for April, showing an expense of \$5,739 98 on streets and \$4,405 77 on sewers, was read and received and referred to the committee on Streets and Highways.

A resolution appropriating \$3000 for the improvement of Easton's Beach was read and passed.

An ordinance was passed so amending the present watering ordinances as to allow the watering of Thames, Spring and Washington streets and Broadway at the city's expense.

An ordinance relative to a board of government for the new asylum for the poor, was read and passed.

Aldermen Waters and Cottrell and Councilmen Hamilton, Peckham and Sullivan were appointed a joint special committee to report upon a proposed amendment to the Police ordinance.

A resolution was passed consenting to the continuance of the charter of the National Bank of Commerce of Boston, fifty shares of whose stock belong to the Newport, poor fund.

Aldermen Langley and Hopkins and Councilmen Hamilton, Greene and O'Neill were appointed a joint special committee to serve as a board of government, with His Honor the Mayor as ex-officio, of the city asylum for the poor.

A petition from Allen & Gladding for permission to erect a small building on the City wharf, was referred to the committee on City Property.

The petition of Robert Birch and others for a gasoline lamp on Edgar court; of Patrick H. Halpin, for electric lights on Spruce street, and of P. J. Sullivan and others, for a street light on Potter street, were received and referred to the committee on Gas and Lamps.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee on Streets and Highways: of Mary Glickert and others for a sewer on Green lane; of P. H. Halpin and others, that Spruce street be covered with crushed stone; of Patrick Reynolds and others, for a sewer six feet deep on Bath road, at an estimated cost of \$1600; of Mary J. Peckham and others, for a branch sewer at the foot of Everett street; of Samuel Storer and others, for a sewer on Coddington street;

of J. B. Gordon, for relief from overflow of sewer at 251 Spring street; of Francis Briley and others, for a sewer through Rhode Island avenue, Catharine and Redwood streets; of Sarah E. Hazard and others, for the sewer in Redwood street to be extended through Rhode Island avenue and Francis streets.

A petition, asking for permission to erect poles on Broadway and other streets, was received from the Baltimore and Ohio Telegraph Company, but the Board of Aldermen deciding that they had no right to grant such prayer the petitioners were given leave to withdraw. This does not prohibit the erection of the poles, but leaves the company to do the work on its own responsibility.

The petition of George B. Hazard, for permission to move a building from Charles street to the rear of the Cove basin, was referred to the committee on Streets and Highways with power to act.

A petition from Sarah Briggs, asking that she be allowed \$428 for boarding and lodging Mrs. Margaret Hawkins, was received and referred to the committee on Finance.

The petition of Patrick Reynolds and others, for a cross-walk on Bath-road, at Aldermen's district avenue, was received and referred to the committee on Streets and Highways with power to act.

A petition from A. O. Titus and others, for permission to lay street railway rails in certain streets, was received and referred to the committee on Streets and Highways, as was also a petition of remonstrance against granting such permission, from Noah Redford and others. The streets asked for in the first petition are: From Commercial wharf across Thames, through Franklin to Bath road, along Spring to Levin, through Levin street across Bellevue avenue, and along Bath road to the beach. Also, along Spring from Franklin to Bull, thence along Broadway to the one mile corner, with a branch down Marlborough to the Old Colony depot.

A petition from Wm. F. Spangler and others, abutments on Franklin street, asking that that thoroughfare be kept free from street railway track, etc., was referred to the same committee.

IN JOINT CONVENTION.

The two boards met in joint convention for the purpose of electing two police constables to fill the vacancies caused by the death of Eugene Barker and the resignation of Geo. H. Irish, and to attend to what other business might come before the convention.

Mr. Roger McCormick was nominated and unanimously elected for the second vacancy on the police force. For the second vacancy there were several nominations and an informal ballot was called for and taken resulting as follows: Allen O. Griffith, 6; Thos. E. Hayes, 5; Wm. J. Dunbar, 3; Leonard Hummel, 1. They then proceeded to a formal ballot, and after ten trials Mr. Allen O. Griffith was declared elected.

The following were elected special police constables: Chester W. O'Connell, W. H. King, W. B. O'Connell, John Gash, Jr., Andrew K. McMahon, O. W. Moore.

Mr. Amos Parmenter was elected Bird constable.

An informal ballot on a keeper for the new asylum for the poor was then called for which resulted in twelve for ex-President of the Council Bachelor and three for Mr. Wm. O. Ward. On motion of Alderman Waters the vote was made formal and Mr. Bachelor declared elected.

Mr. John Breese was elected weigher of coal and other merchandise.

ALDERMANS.

Joseph B. Pike and A. O. Lauder were granted licenses for the sale of fireworks on "Lecton Day."

The following persons were drawn jurors for the May term of the Court of Common Pleas: Grand—Joseph P. Barker, George O. Kaull, Jr., George I. Spencer, James Eddy Maurao, Henry D. Scott, John James J. Bowler, Michael Butler (Victoria avenue), Timothy O. Shes, Benjamin P. Bennett, Edward Young.

On recommendation of Superintendent of Hacks F. B. Garrett, fifty-seven carriage, forty-eight wagon and numerous drivers' licenses were granted.

The resignation of Police Constable Geo. F. Irish was received and accepted.

### Personals.

Lawrence Turner and family, of New York, have gone to Europe.

Mr. Marshall Woods of Providence, has been in town during the week.

Lieut. W. P. Everett, 4th U. S. Artillery, has reported for duty at Fort Monroe.

David King and family, will summer abroad.

Prof. W. H. Bartlett of Yonkers, N. Y., has been in town this week.

Lieut. Knuth has begun his duties on board the cutter Grant.

Lieut. Barlow, formerly of the cutter Dexter, has been in town during the week.

Hon. George Bancroft, the historian, and Mr. Hancock are expected at their cottage on the Cliffs early next month.

Thos. W. Wood, Jr., of this city is one of the senior class at Brown University appointed to deliver an oration at Commencement.

Messrs. J. Nelson Howard & Co., have taken the agency of the New York Life Insurance Company.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Jas. M. Murray, has been ordered to the training ship Minnesota.

Rev. W. W. Evans, Jr., of Hartford, Conn., will preach in the First Baptist Church on Sunday.

The President has appointed Col. Geo. E. Waring, Jr., of this city, as one of the Board of Visitors to the West Point Academy.

Lieut. W. F. Gilmore has assumed his duties on board the cutter Dexter, in place of Lieut. Knuth, who has gone to the Grant.

Mr. O. G. Muenchinger of this city, has been engaged as caterer at the Newport Casino during the coming season.

Col. Jerome Bonaparte has arrived in Rome. He will return to this country in June, and, with Madame Bonaparte, occupy their cottage at Newport.

At a meeting of Charles E. Lawton Post, Wednesday evening, it was voted to hold the Decoration Day exercises on Monday, May 20th. This is the day before Election, and holding the exercises on that day makes less break in the work of the week than if held on the 30th.

### CITY BRIEFS.

## Poetry.

## The Coming Flowers.

Awake dear sleepers, from your wintry slumber,  
The sun has turned the point of Capricorn,  
And 'gins to pluck from winter's wight the plumes  
Of archness, and to wind his silver horn,  
For your return: Come to your home, for-  
lorne!

In absence of your odors and your faces;  
Like Rachel weeps for you the reaved morn,  
As often as she views your empty places,  
Remember the daily scene of her and your em-  
brace.

Come, gentle snowdrop, like the earliest star  
That twinkles on the brow of dusky night;  
Come, like the child that peeps from door  
 ajar,

With pallid cheek, upon a wasteful sight;  
And shouldst thou rise when all around is  
white,

The more thou'lt demonstrate the power of  
God  
To shield the weak against the arms of  
night,

To strengthen feeble shoulders for their load,  
And sinking hearts 'mid ill they could not  
forbode.

Come, crocus cup, the cup where early bees  
Sip the first nectar of the liberal year,  
Come and illumine our green, as smiles  
Light up the poet's song. And O, ye dear  
March violets, come near, come breathing  
near!

You too, fair primroses, in darksome woods  
Shine forth, like heaven's constellations  
clear;  
And come, ye daisies, throng in multitudes,  
And whiteen hills and meadows with your  
saintly bows.

Come with thy lilies, May; thy roses, June;  
Come with your richer hues, autumnal  
hours;  
O tell your mellowing sun, your regal moon,  
Your dewy drops, your soft, refreshing  
showers,

To lift their blessing hands in Flora's  
bowers,  
Nor e'en to scorn the billeted daisy's gossamer  
gold;  
Nor foxglove's banner hung with purple  
flowers,  
Nor solitary heath that cheers the wold,  
Nor the last daisy chivering in November's  
cold!

## The Shadow of the Cross.

BY GEORGE L. HEATH.

If all my way on earth were bright  
And joyous as could be,  
I might forget the home of light  
That waits for me;

If earthly riches manifold  
Were given unto me,  
I might forget the crown of gold,  
The crystal sea;

If never earthly foes were given,  
I might not think  
That there was friendship known to heaven  
With breakers link;

And so the all-wise Father sends  
A shadow o'er life's dreams,  
And heaven because of sainted friends,  
More lovely seems.

And as we toil and struggle hard  
While in this vale we live,  
How soul-inspiring the reward  
That heaven shall give.

## Selected Tale.

ALICE DAWSON.

Just about daybreak on the 23d of March, 1862, a large travelling dramatic combination arrived in one of our driving Western cities to disband for the season. In the waiting-room of the depot the members clustered together for a final parting. Some of them were going east that day; others had obtained engagements in the city for the remainder of the season, while still others knew not where to go. Two members of the company—my friend, Edwin Wells, and myself—had secured, as a temporary residence, an untenanted house in the suburbs of the city. Mr. Dawson, the manager of the combination and the owner of the house, had offered us this place of abode provided we would care for the scenery and stage equipment he intended to store there. He would also send us the few articles of furniture necessary to make the house habitable.

After the city was still we purchased a small stock of provisions and started for our rural retreat. Upon arrival at the premises we were somewhat surprised to find a modern stone structure, with turreted corners, mansard roof and high, gothic windows. It stood apart from the other buildings on the boulevard, was quite castlelike in appearance, and surrounded by a grand park, with gravelled walks and arboreal avenues. An immense brick stable stood far in the rear of the building, and in this the scenery was stored.

We entered the structure and found the interior in perfect keeping with its outside appearance. High decorated ceilings, massive carved doors, wide hallways, and immense stair cases. After examining the house from top to bottom, we finally selected a second floor room as our quarters, its size and easy access being more suitable for our use. A little later our things arrived, and we set up our bed and stove, kindled a fire, and in a short time the night of glowing coals and the odor of boiling coffee made the room seem quite comfortable.

My companion had naturally an inquiring mind, and he had several times this morning said, quite abstractedly, "But why does not Mr. Dawson reside here?" I endeavored to find a reasonable answer to the question, but all my solutions of the problem were rejected by him as improbable, and the matter was at last dismissed for the time by his remark: "We shall soon know."

Edwin Wells and myself had entered the dramatic profession together years before, and had been separated but one season since, on which occasion he had secured an engagement as business manager for a travelling

meisnerism, and I had often witnessed his operations and wondered at his skill and judgment in the treatment of his "subjects." He was a remarkable man in many respects. He entertained strange notions on social and political matters, was extremely fond of solving problems of every kind, was a reader, a reasoner and an excellent talker.

After breakfast my companion said that he had some business matters to attend to in the city—that he would start at once and return as soon as possible. I remained to receive our trunk when they should arrive. It was quite late in the afternoon when my friend returned, and I had closed the shutters, lighted a candle, and was repairing some of my wardrobe.

"Well," said he, after removing his hat and coat and seating himself on the bed. "I know now why Mr. Dawson does not live in this house."

"And I suppose there is not much romance about it either, is there?"

"You may judge of that. But first let me take a cup of coffee and a roll, for I'm as hungry as the sea."

"How many acts are there in the tragedy you are about to relate?" I asked.

"Fear not, young man; it may not freeze thy young blood." Seriously, now, I will tell you what I have ascertained about this house.

"I shall not lose a word," I said.

"Then, to begin at the beginning, I will tell you that Mr. Dawson, the owner of this house, is a very wealthy man. He manages combinations more for occupation and amusement than for gain. His father left him an immense property, and his investments have returned well. For nearly half a century the old homestead of the Dawsons stood upon the site where this house now stands. About twenty years ago old Mr. Dawson died and the son shortly after married a wealthy and handsome lady. The old homestead was pulled down and this beautiful structure reared in its place. One child is all they ever had—a bright, beautiful boy. About six or eight years ago this boy met with an accident or a fright (in just what manner I have not yet learned, which unseated his reason and left him what might be termed 'half-witted' periodically. Medical experts have only succeeded in giving partial relief, and I understand a permanent cure is despaired of by the parents. Mr. Dawson was often absent from his home for short seasons on the road, and his wife had urged him to adopt a child to comfort and relieve the long hours of solitude during his absence. At last, in despair of restoring his son's lost reason, he adopted a female child from a foundling home—a beautiful, intelligent child, whose parents were entirely unknown. Years passed. The girl was educated, refined, accomplished. Her every wish was gratified; money expended without a word; she had been sent abroad to complete her training in music and art. The most costly apparel and jewels had been given her. Her foster parents had humored her in her desire to adopt the stage as a profession. She was an apt scholar, and the time approached when she was to make her debut. She loved her parents dearly and was beloved by them—now about 18 years of age and a beautiful, intelligent, accomplished woman."

"In the meantime Alfred Dawson, the half-witted son, had grown to manhood. He was a fine looking fellow, with great broad shoulders, tremendous hands and arms—in fact a physical giant, but, alas! a mental pigmy. He spent the greater portion of his time with his horses and his dogs."

"One evening about this time Mr. and Mrs. Dawson and Alfred attended the opera, leaving Alice alone with the servants. She did not wish to go and she begged her mother to permit her to remain at home that she might spend the evening in writing. Reluctantly they permitted her to do as she wished. Returning from the opera, Mrs. Dawson knocked at her chamber door and received no response. Alarm was given, and the door was forced in, but Alice Dawson was nowhere to be found. The gas was burning brightly and an incomplete letter to a friend—the ink scarcely dry—lay upon the secretaire. The door was locked on the inside, the key was yet in the door. There was no other egress from the room, except by the windows. The house was searched from top to bottom; also the grounds. The servants were questioned, but nothing was elicited. Miss Dawson had not been out of her room, at least to the knowledge of any of them. Everything in the room was in its proper place, and there was no evidence of a struggle. This is the very room from which Alice Dawson disappeared, and from that time to this—nearly three years—she has never been seen."

"This is a strange story, truly," I said. "But were detectives employed in the case?"

"Yes, the very best that could be had. Five thousand dollars were offered as a reward for the recovery or for the conviction of any one connected with her abduction. The reward was finally raised to \$10,000, where it still remains. The papers were full of these details at that time. The detectives visited the premises, ransacked the house, questioned the household, secured descriptions and pictures, and finally gave this very natural theory of the mystery. The girl was a foundling; her father or mother had watched her with a jealous eye and deter-

mined to possess the accomplished daughter—perhaps only for the reward that they knew would be offered. Perhaps the parent had seen her and told her all, and this evening had been arranged for the elopement. She had stubbornly refused to accompany her, and Mrs. Dawson to the opera. Yet, if there had been collusion, why had the door been locked on the inside and the gas left burning. It would, of course, have been an easy matter to descend by a ladder placed up to the window; but why should this precaution be taken? Whatever may have been done by the detective, the case remains as much a mystery to-night as it ever was."

"This is all very strange," I said, "but you have not told me why Mr. Dawson does not reside here. I cannot just see the connection between this mystery and his removal from this house."

"What I have told you I obtained principally from an old newspaper file. Of course I was unable to learn the exact cause of the removal of the Dawson, but it seems quite reasonable to suppose that Mrs. Dawson, being reminded of her lost daughter every time she entered this room, urged her husband to vacate the house. However, I am inclined to think that a more powerful motive was the cause; and, since I have determined to clear up this mystery, this will be my starting point. Ten thousand dollars is a prize worth working for, and I may as well tell you, since you will of course assist me in the undertaking, that I have a theory of the case quite at variance with that of the detectives. They looked for a motive and found a natural and reasonable one. Since this has failed I shall adopt an entirely different method—one at once unnatural, unreasonable and without apparent motive."

"Will you give me your deductions?" I asked.

"Not yet; I need a few links to connect the chain. Let us retire. I can think better just before I sleep."

It was late when I fell asleep, and I could not have slept long when I awoke and found my companion sitting up writing. I soon fell asleep again, and I was awakened this time by a strong smell of coffee. My friend had breakfast prepared. We drank our coffee, left the house, hailed a car and rode down into the city.

"Now," said my companion, "I have prepared a synopsis of this case, and I find that our first step is to see Mr. Dawson. He can be seen at his office at 11. We have nearly two hours to spare and we can use it to good advantage by searching an old file of newspapers."

Shortly after 11 a carriage drove up to the office, and Mr. Dawson and a young man alighted. They found us waiting for them. Mr. Dawson greeted us cordially, and the other, his afflicted son, grinned and left the room.

After a few commonplace remarks, my companion alluded to the son, and asked if he was under treatment at present.

"A hopeless case," the father said. "Everything has been done that can be. I am not encouraged to try again."

My companion asked if he had tried mania or mesmerism, and he laughed out into a comprehensive and entertaining explanation of their philosophy, their causes and effects, how equilibrium had been restored and many diseases of the nervous system relieved and positively cured by this treatment. He cited many instances of such cures—many of them cases coming under his own observation. Mr. Wells was an earnest talker, positive in his own statements, and carried conviction with nearly everything he said. On this subject he was entirely "at home," and what he said interested Mr. Dawson. My companion asked if he might see the son, and the father called him in. The young man seemed quite shy at first, grinned and hung his head, but my friend was not long in interesting him, and at a nod of approval from the father the operator secured the imbecile's attention, gazed for a moment or two into his eyes, and made a few mesmeric passes. The subject evinced signs of somnolency; the idiotic grin faded from his countenance, and a look of intense interest took its place. In a few moments the young man's head dropped upon his chest and he slept. At a word from the operator he awoke, stared vacantly about him, and in a moment the idiotic grin returned to his countenance. Again the subject was impressed, and the same facial changes took place. The operator questioned him and received lucid responses. The father was astonished and delighted, and before we took our departure an appointment was made for my companion at Mr. Dawson's residence.

On our way to the "castle" my friend said, "I have succeeded in my first step, and the way is now clear."

"I cannot comprehend just what connection all this has with the mysterious disappearance of Alice Dawson," I said.

"You shall very soon know."

The next evening he proceeded to the residence of Mr. Dawson. I was to meet him at a theatre near by at 10 o'clock. Returning to our lodgings he seemed in excellent spirits, and remarked that everything was going smoothly. "I will reach the climax Tuesday evening, and you are to be present."

He spent the greater portion of that night in reading an old volume entitled "Philosophy of the Mind," and in

making notes.

Tuesday evening arrived and we were ushered into the magnificent parlour at the residence of Mr. Dawson. I asked my friend if the portrait over the mantel was of Alice Dawson, but at that moment Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Dawson entered. The latter greeted my companion very cordially, but did not seem pleased at my presence. In a few minutes he evinced signs of "sleep walking," and the wonderful changes of facial expression took place which I had noticed on the previous occasion. The operator made one or two passes and the subject closed his eyes and slept. Mr. Dawson held a whispered consultation with my friend and Mrs. Dawson withdrew from the room.

"Now, Mr. Dawson," said my companion, "I have been informed that a reward of \$10,000 has been offered for the recovery of your abducted daughter, or for the conviction of the abductor or abductors. Have I been correctly informed?"

"You have," said Mr. Dawson; "but what has that to do with your operations upon my son?"

"I will tell you. At my last operation I ascertained that your son is a clairvoyant; that the facts relating to this mystery are known to him, and the principal circumstances are now in my possession. I have not succeeded, however, in eliciting all the incidents, but I am convinced that the conditions are such to-night that everything will be related just as it occurred."

"Convince me that what you say is true and you shall have the reward before you leave the house."

"You shall be entirely satisfied, and at once," said the operator, and he took a note-book from his pocket and knelt by the imbecile, and the following dialogue ensued:

Question. You are about to witness the great drama of "Nobody's Daughter." The orchestra has ceased playing and the curtain is about to rise. Do you see clearly?

(After a pause of about thirty seconds)—

A. Yes, I see.

Q. You do not like this play. You are restless—disturbed. About whom are you thinking?

A. About Alice.

Q. The curtain is about to fall upon the first act and you are going out. Where are you going?

A. I'm going home to see my dog Fido. You love me, don't you, Fido? But pa and ma don't. They love Alice and buy her nice things, and breakfasts, and fine dresses, and everything; and I don't have anything, do I? They don't care for me. I'm only an idiot, and she can read books. See the light in her window? She's reading now, I guess; and she's all alone. She took pa and ma away from us, didn't she; but if I can hide her away where they can't find her, they'll love us again. If I could reach that fire-ladder I could climb up and look in her window and see what she's doing. (Pause.)

Q. What is she doing?

A. She is writing, I guess; but she can't see me. I can get in the window and crawl up to her. She has a handkerchief tied round her neck, and if I can pull the end tight she can't make a noise. The servants are away down stairs and they can't tell. Oh, how she looks at me; but she can't make a noise. Now I must hide her. (Pause.)

Q. Where are you going to hide her?

A. [Trembling] Oh, her eyes, her eyes. (Pause.)

Q. She can't harm you. Where are you going to hide her?

A. In the stable. I can unlock this door and take her up. I can take this top off and then I can put it on again. Now I must go and lock the door again and go down the ladder, or else some one will know. I must go back to the opera now. They can't find her now, and then they'll love me. Why, the curtain is just rising—Mr. Dawson had swooned.

That very night we recovered the remains of Alice Dawson from a corner turret of the Dawson "castle" and buried them in the grounds. The reward was paid, but upon condition that we should take oath never to reveal the secret during the life of any member of the household.

Mr. Dawson has just passed away, having survived the other members of the family; hence I am at liberty to relate these facts, withholding only the names.

E. F. B.

Albani and the King of Holland.

Mme. Albani has been the heroine of a rather unpleasant incident at the Hague, where she was engaged to sing for one evening at a court representation at 1000 florins. She was ignorant of the fact that artists there are expected to give a general private rehearsal before the King previous to the official performance. Hence her astonishment on March 17th at receiving a summons to attend the general rehearsal at 12 that day. She sent back word in reply that she new her part sufficiently well not to need rehearsing which could only fatigue her for the evening's performance. Every endeavor was used to induce the prima donna to attend, but without avail. When the negotiations came to the knowledge of the King, he sent her word that he would be very sorry to trouble her to come and fatigue herself at the palace that evening. In view of this significant message, Mme. Albani quitted the Hague for Amsterdam.

## A Square Boy.

Two or three weeks ago a pedestrian who was passing a house on Ropelle street heard the sounds of a terrible struggle going on, and as he looked in at the front door a boy about 12 years of age, who sat in the hall, quietly observed:

"I'm only the old folks having a little row, stranger."

"Do they have 'em often?" asked the man.

"Almost every day."

"If I were in your place I'd stand at the door here and charge ten cents admission fee. It's worth the money to see a family riot like this, and you might as well make a few dollars as to let the chance slip."

The boy said he would think of it, and the pedestrian waited until the man had choked the woman as black as a plum and then passed on. Yesterday he chanced that way again, and there was another row going on, and the same boy sat on the doorstep.

"I'll see the show," said the man as he pulled out his wallet. "Has my advice profited you?"

"Stranger, I can't take your money," replied the lad.

"Why?"

"Because I'm a square boy. For a week or so every fight in there was as square as a dice and worth the price of admission, but as soon as a crowd began to come and the gate money began to run up to eighty or ninety cents, dad and mam began to hippodrome on the public. That blood on his nose was put there half an hour ago, and mam's black eye is three weeks old. They want me to stand in with them and deceive the public, but I can't do it. Let the best man win or quit the business, is my motto. Pass on, stranger, for this is a put-up job to gull the credulous public."

## Crushed Genius.

"Oh, is the manager in?"

She stood at the window of the treasurer's office, and her mellifluous voice had a fever and ague tremor as she spoke.

"Yes," said the assistant treasurer, a demoniac smile lighting up his handsome features. "What can I do for you?"

"Well, you know, I appeared last Tuesday evening in the play presented by the M— club. They said my death scene would have done credit to Rhea or Clara Morris."

"Oh, yes, you died very artistically; in fact, it was quite deathly."

"Well now, I'd like to have a place in your company. You know I'd like to go on the stage. I think that would be my forte."

"Well, there isn't any place now in the company—nothing that would be suited to your peculiar line of genius," said the assistant, heartlessly.

"Oh, my! I would not be particular about the first year's salary," said she.

"Well, now if I were you, I'd be very particular about that—very particular."

"Why?" said she, in a surprised tone.

"Because I hardly think you'd get a second year's salary."

She swept out with an I-spurn-your-base-proposal smile, and the assistant treasurer said, "I've shattered another genius, but I have spared the public," and he invited the door-keeper to join him in a smile.

They Had Met at Last.

"There," she said, as she raised a window in a Pullman car the other day; "now I can breathe. The air in the car is stifling. Why don't they have better ventilation? If I couldn't sit near an open window I believe I should die."

Presently a slender female sitting directly back leaned over and asked her if she wouldn't just as lief close that window now, as the draft was more than she could stand.

"No, madam, I shall not close this window. I could not live with it down. I was just thinking how delightful it was with it open, now you want it shut, but I shall not shut it; so there."

"Then you are a selfish thing, and I shall have to change my seat."

Just then a gentleman sitting close by reached over and said: "Ladies, that window being raised makes no difference, as this car has double windows, and not a breath of air can possibly get through the one that is still down."

Then the one that had raised the window turned to the other and with a crushed look on her face, said: "Madam, I beg your pardon, but I think two fools have met at last."

Nautical Little Jack.

Little Jack—"What did pa mean by saying he was captain of this ship?"

Ma—"Oh, that is only his way of saying that he is the head of the house."

"Little Jack—"If pa is captain, then what are you?"

Ma—"Well, I suppose I am the pilot."

Little Jack—"Oh, yes, and then I must be the compass."

Ma—"The compass? Why the compass?"

Little Jack—"Why the captain and pilot are always boxing the compass, you know."

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## NEWS OF THE WEEK.

From all Parts of the World.

**A Train Telegraphed.**  
CHICAGO, May 6.—A dense fog prevailed this morning, when the Chicago and Eastern Illinois suburban train left Auburn with passengers coming into the city. A stop was made at South Englewood, and just as the passenger train was pulling out, a heavy locomotive of the Grand Trunk road, plunged into it, splitting the passenger train and telegraphing the other two, leaving the passengers in the broken timbers and brooding the interior with steam from the engine boiler. Two persons are probably fatally and twenty seriously injured.

**A Kentucky Murderer.**  
FRANKFORT, Ky., May 5.—Frank Egger, aged 23, was shot by Tom Griffin, here, early this morning. The wound is believed to be fatal. The cause of the shooting was an old grudge. This is the fourth man Griffin has shot during the past three years. Only two months ago he was acquitted for killing the chief of police here about a year ago.

**Another Ocean Disaster.**  
The Florida, another Ocean Disaster.—The Florida, another Ocean Disaster and 100 persons drowned.  
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